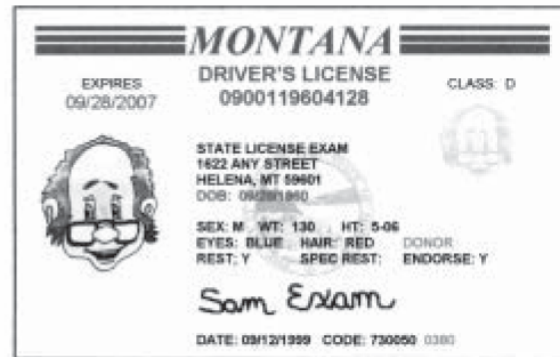


Montana Driver Education and Training

Obtaining and Maintaining Your Montana Driver's License



Standards and Benchmarks

1. Laws and Highway System

- a. know the laws outlined in the Montana Driver's manual
- b. understand the laws outlined in the Montana Driver's manual
- c. consistently demonstrate knowledge and understanding by responsible adherence to highway transportation system traffic laws and control devices

2. Responsibility

- a. recognize the importance of making safe and responsible decisions for owning and operating a vehicle
- d. develop habits and attitudes with regard to responsible driving

7. Lifelong Learning

- a. understand past, present and future vehicle and roadway design, and driving cultures
- b. describe past, present and future motor vehicle laws
- c. understand benefits of a lifelong learning approach to driving
- d. pledge a commitment to a lifelong learning approach to driving
- e. identify opportunities for lifelong education in driving

8. Driving Experience

- a. Students acquire at least the minimum number of BTW hours over at least the minimum number of days, as required by law, with a Montana approved driver education instructor
- b. students are encouraged to acquire additional BTW driving experience with their parent or guardian's assistance in a variety of driving situations (i.e., night, adverse weather, gravel road, etc.).
- c. Parents are advised how to assist their student, as required by the Montana Graduated Driver Licensing law, by supervising BTW experience in a variety of driving situations (i.e., night, adverse weather, gravel roads, etc.).

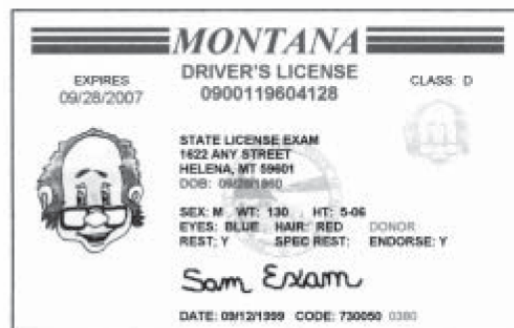


GETTING A LICENSE

- Anyone who operates a motor vehicle or motor-driven cycle on public roadways in Montana is required to have a driver's license
- Proof of mandatory vehicle liability insurance must be in effect and in the vehicle when being operated
- Drivers may have only one valid driver's license at any time
- A license from another state is good for 60 days in Montana
- Drivers must have their license with them whenever they drive
- The license must not be loaned to anyone



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ITEMS REQUIRED WHEN APPLYING

- Fill out *The License Application Form*
 - Applicants under the age of 18 must have a parent or other responsible adult sign for the applicant



LEARNER LICENSE ELIGIBILITY

- A learner's license allows a person to practice driving to become a better driver
 - It is valid for one year from the date of receipt
- You can be 15 years old and have successfully completed a state-approved traffic education course
- Or you must be 16 years old or older and pass the vision and written tests



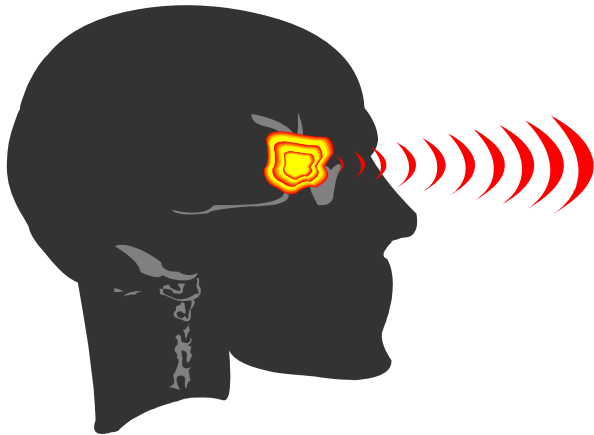
VISUAL ACUITY REQUIREMENTS



- 20/20 eyesight means you can see the "20" size letter at a distance of 20 feet
- If the letter has to be larger in order for you to see it, then the bottom number will be larger



VISUAL ACUITY REQUIREMENTS



- Someone seeing 20/40 has vision twice as blurry as someone seeing 20/20
- A person with 20/40 vision is not given restrictions
- Above 20/40 drivers can have restrictions
- A person with 20/100 vision cannot be licensed



WRITTEN TEST

- Shows how much you know about traffic laws, rules and signs



Sample question

When parking on a hill facing uphill (without a curb):

- a. turn the wheels to the right.
- b. turn the wheels to the left.
- c. keep the wheels straight ahead.

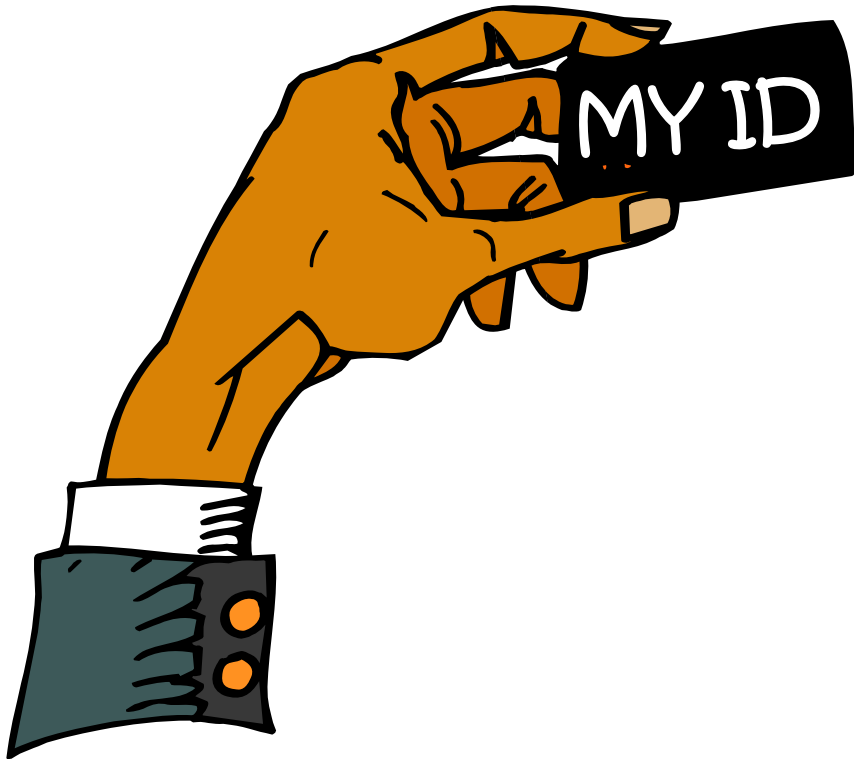


DRIVING TEST

- Shows how well you control your vehicle and obey traffic signs, signal lights, speeds, and laws
- The vehicle used in the test must be safe
- The vehicle's registration must be shown
- Proof of insurance must be shown
- Driver license receipts are valid for six months and three test attempts is permitted within that time period



IDENTIFICATION CARD



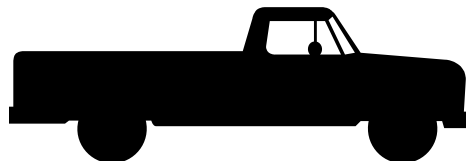
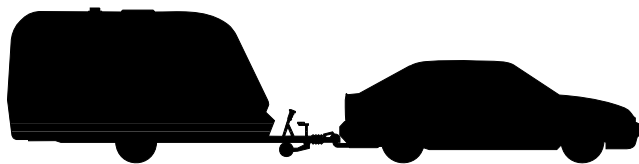
- If you have a license from a jurisdiction other than Montana you can't obtain a Montana identification card
- Have proof of full legal name and birth date, have your photo taken, and pay the appropriate fee
- The card is valid for four years from your last birthday



FOUR CLASSES OF DRIVER LICENSES A-D

Class (D) License

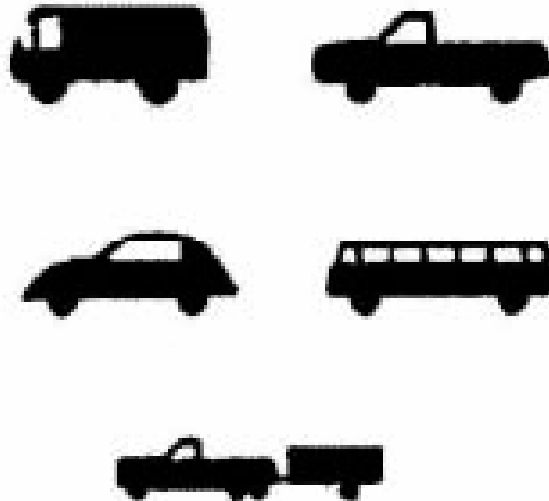
- Most drivers hold a CLASS D license
- In order to obtain your license, you need to pass the vision, knowledge and skills tests
- May drive any vehicle under 26,000 pounds gvwt when no commercial conditions exist



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Class (C) License

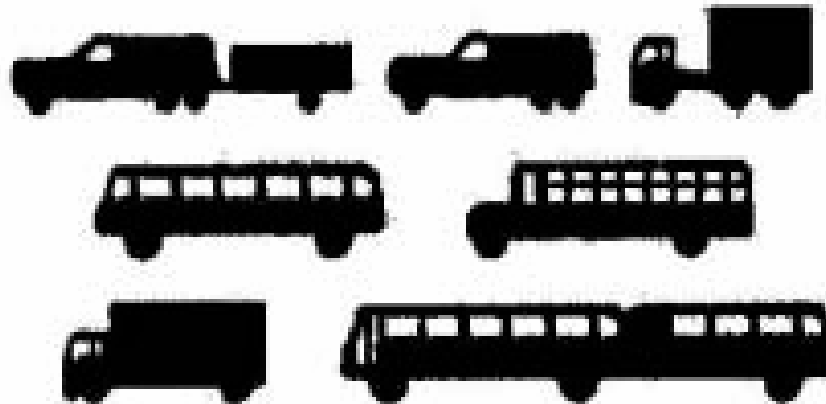
- A Class C license is required for vehicles carrying some types of liquids or gases and hazardous material requiring placards
- A Class C with a passenger endorsement is required for any vehicle carrying 16 or more passengers including the driver, and all school buses less than 26,001 pounds
- Class C and D may drive these types of vehicles



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Class (B) License

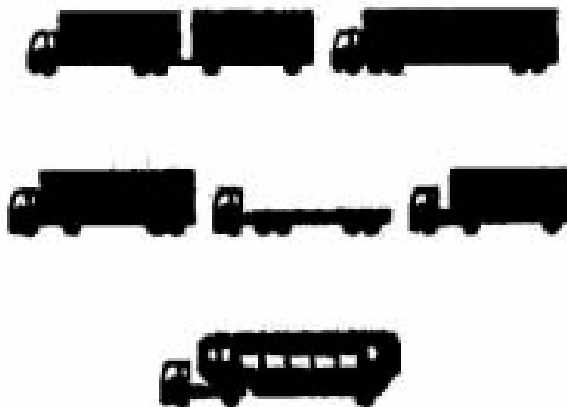
- Holders of a Class (B) license may, with any appropriate endorsements, operate all vehicles within Class (C)
- Class B may drive these types of vehicles



FOUR CLASSES OF DRIVER LICENSES A-D

CLASS A License

- Holders of a Class (A) license may, with the appropriate endorsements, operate all vehicles within Classes (B) and (C)
- Drivers who operate vehicles with more than one trailer must have a double/triple endorsement
- CLASS A may drive these types of vehicles



LOST or DESTROYED PERMIT — CHANGE OF ADDRESS

a reminder

If the permit is
lost or destroyed

- Cost \$10 to
replace
- Take an
original or
certified
copy of my birth
certificate



memo:

Change of
name or
address

Tell the driver
services bureau
within 10 days

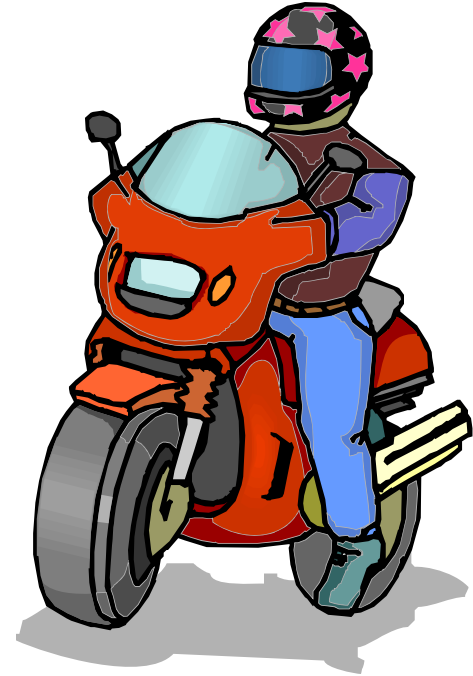
MOTORCYCLE LICENSE

Motorcycle Learner's License

- This license is issued on a driver's license receipt and is good for six months

Motorcycle Endorsement on a Class D License

- Pass a vision, knowledge and skills tests
- Motorcyclists who successfully complete a Montana motorcycle rider course are exempt from the skills test
- Currently the cost of the endorsement is 50 cents per year



A Driver License Starts Your Driving Record

Your driving record is for life and is used:

- by the state and insurance companies to see how safe a driver you are
- to hold copies of all your traffic tickets (from all states)
- to see if your license should be cancelled, suspended or revoked



NATIONWIDE PROBLEM DRIVER SYSTEM

Montana is linked to a nationwide system to detect individuals who are suspended, revoked, disqualified, or denied a license to drive in another state

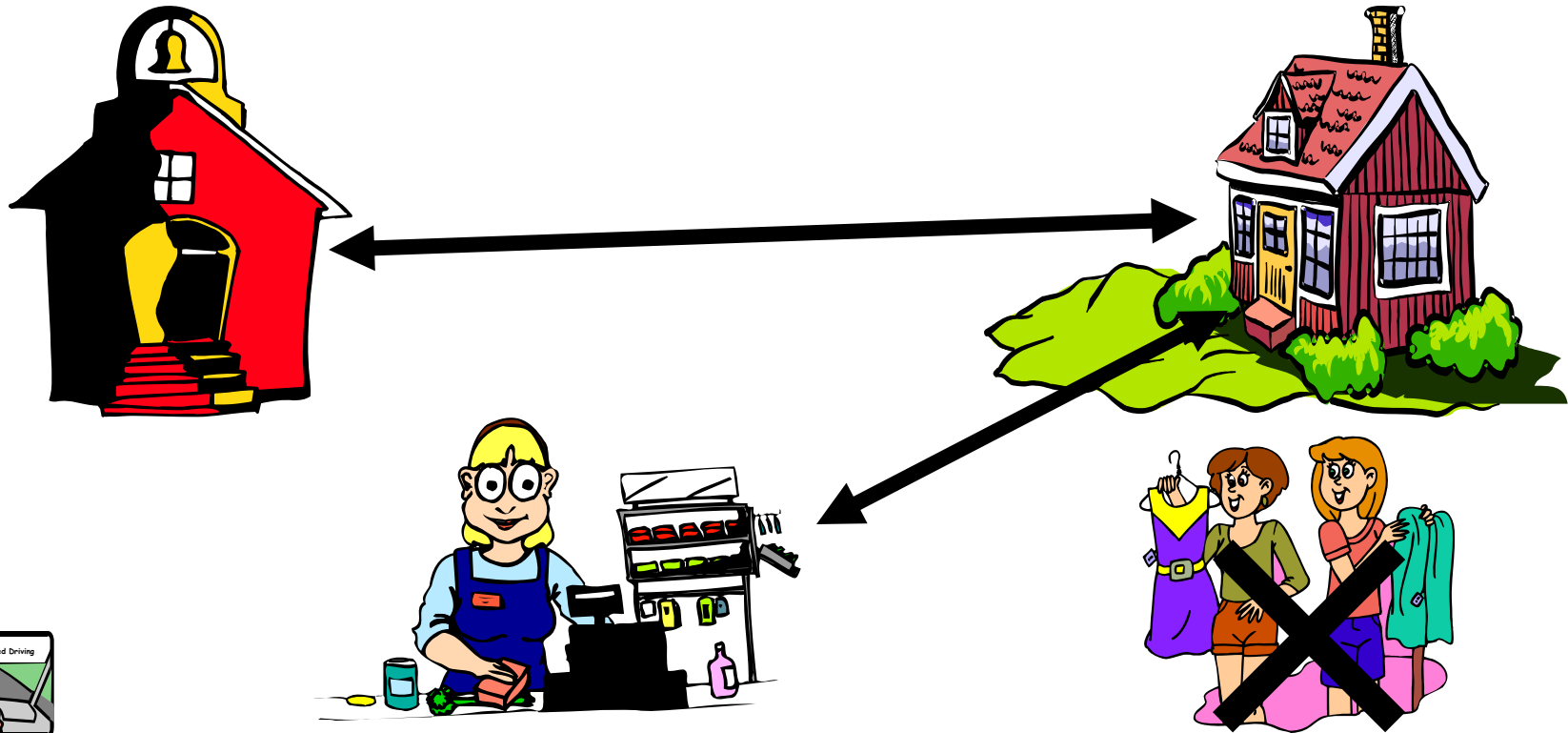
The "Problem Driver Pointer System" (PDPS)

- Upon application for a license, the computer record system is checked to see if you have a driving record in another state(s)
- If your status is not eligible, you will not be allowed to obtain a Montana's driver's license until your status returns to eligible



LICENSE RESTRICTIONS

- A probationary license may be issued to drive to school or work while your license is suspended



LICENSE SUSPENSIONS

License suspensions occur

- When giving false information on the license application
- Writing a check with insufficient funds in the bank
- When parents withdraw their permission for the license
- If the license is suspended or revoked in another state
- When a teen drives under the influence or operates a motor vehicle with a blood alcohol content of 0.02% or greater

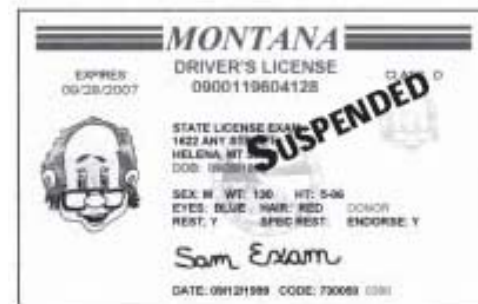
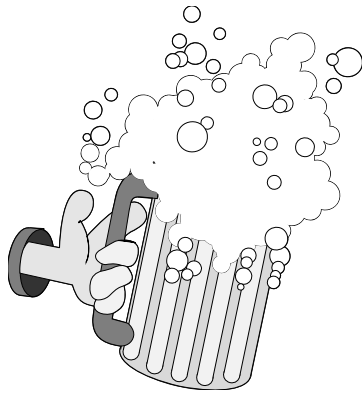


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MINOR IN POSSESSION (MIP) OF ALCOHOL

- MIP convictions are not recorded on an individual's Montana Driving Record, however, judges have the authority to order the suspension of an offender's driver license
- Motor Vehicle Division will suspend the offender's driver's license for the number of days ordered by the court and permanently record the withdrawal on the offender's driving record



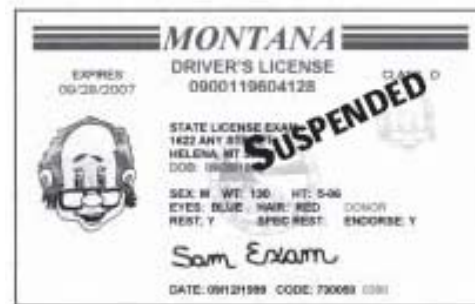
LICENSE SUSPENSION

A driver's license will be suspended for 30 days to one year (or in some cases indefinitely)

- Conviction of three reckless driving offenses within a 12-month period
- Using a motor vehicle in the theft of motor vehicle fuel
- Medically unsafe driver
- Failure to obtain required medical evaluation or submit to testing
- Making a fraudulent application for a license
- Falsifying a date of birth on a driver's license application
- Altering a driver's license or identification card to obtain alcohol
- Authorizing someone else to use your driver's license or identification card to obtain alcohol
- Any unlawful use of a driver's license

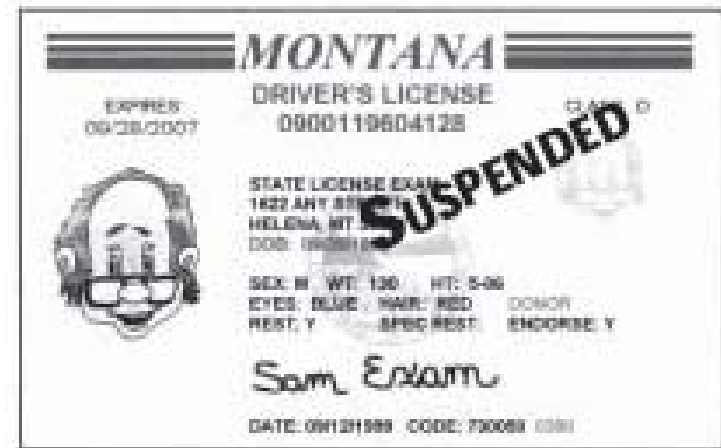


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LICENSE SUSPENSION

- Non-payment of fines or not appearing when given a notice to appear in court
- Indefinite suspension for failing to pay child support until child support obligations are met
- Default on a student loan



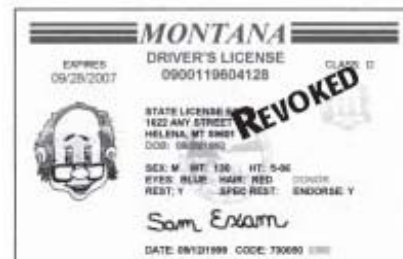
LICENSE REVOCATION

Your license is terminated for one year or more and then you must pay all required fees and take and pass all the tests again if you have:

- A conviction for negligent homicide with a vehicle
- A conviction for any felony in which a motor vehicle is used
- Failure to stop and render aid as required in the event of a motor vehicle accident resulting in the death or personal injury of another
- Perjury or the making of a false affidavit or statement under oath relating to the ownership or operation of motor vehicles
- Negligent vehicular assault involving a motor vehicle
- Habitual traffic offenders accumulating 30 or more conviction points within a three-year period

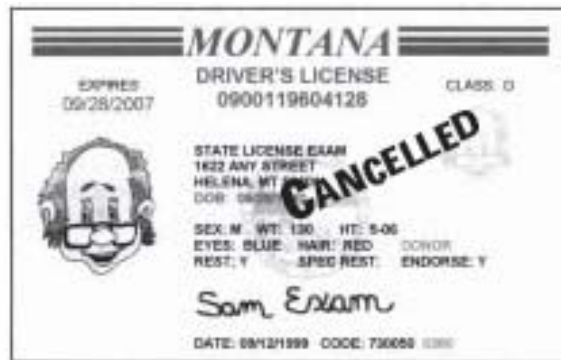


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LICENSE CANCELLATION

- Examples of violations resulting in a cancellation include:
 - the death of person signing minor's application
 - fraud, and/or falsifying information on application for a license to drive
 - paying for a driver license with a non-sufficient funds check
 - removal of parental consent
 - voluntary surrender of license
 - suspended or revoked in another state



LICENSE RENEWAL PROCESS

The length of time a driver's license will be valid depends on several factors, such as your age at the time of initial licensure and the date of your birth

- If you are under the age of 21, your license will expire on your 21st birthday
- If you are between the ages of 21 and 75, your license will expire on your birthday eight years or less after the date of issuance or on your 75th birthday, whichever occurs first
- At age 75 or older, your license will expire on your birthday four years or less after the date of issuance



LICENSE RENEWAL PROCESS

- You may renew up to six months before the expiration date of your license on your birthday
- If your license has expired it is not valid for operation of a motor vehicle, however, a renewal may be completed within three months after the expiration without retesting
- If your birthday passes and you have not renewed, your driving privilege stops on your birthday and if you are found driving after your birthday, you are driving in violation of the law and are eligible for a citation
- If your license is more than three months expired, you must take and pass the written and driving test

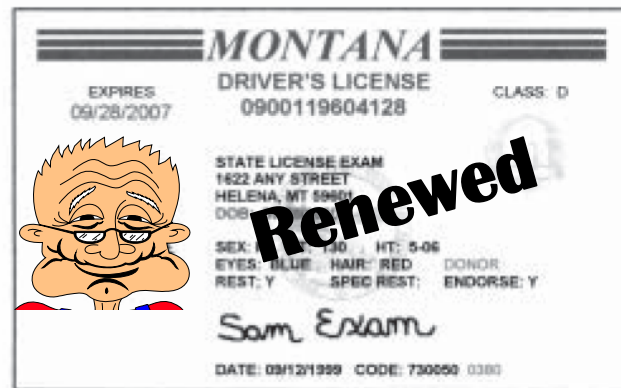


LICENSE RENEWAL PROCESS

- Present your identification, pay the fee, make a personal appearance at an exam station, pass the vision test, and have a new photo taken
- Applicants who may lack the ability to safely operate a motor vehicle on the highway may be required to complete a written and driving assessment
- A person whose license is suspended or revoked in any other state may not apply for, be issued, or retain a Montana driver's license



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COURSE CONTENT FOR PRACTICE AND REINFORCEMENT

- This traffic education course is based on standards that include the Montana Essential Knowledge and Skills
- This course does not prepare a teen driver to be an expert driver
- This course does lay the foundation for a new driver to build upon, with the expectation that the new driver is prepared to continue practicing the good driving habits taught in this course



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